



Interactive Thematic Dialogue of the U.N. General Assembly on The Global Food Crisis and the Right to Food

Trusteeship Council Chamber
UN Headquarters, New York
6 April 2009

OPENING SESSION: 10:00 -10:30 AM

Introductory remarks by **H.E. Mr. Miguel d'Escoto Brockmann**,
President of the United Nations General Assembly

Opening remarks by **Mr. Cheick Sidi Diarra** USG and High
Representative of the LDS (OHRLLS).

Keynote speech by **Dr. Olivier de Schutter**, UN Special Rapporteur on
the Right to Food

PANEL I: **Policy choices and the right to food in the context of the global food crisis** 10.30 AM– 1:00 PM

Moderator: **Br. David Andrews**, Senior Advisor to the PGA on Food
Policy and Sustainable Development

Dr. Olivier De Schutter *Joins panels for discussion/questions from
public

Mr. Sanjay Reddy, Assistant professor of economics at Barnard College,
Columbia University; member of the editorial advisory boards of
Development, Ethics and International Affairs and the European Journal
of Development Research

Mr. Daniel De La Torre Ugarte, Professor of Agricultural Economics at
the University of Tennessee; Associate Director of the Agricultural Policy
Analysis Center

Mr. James P. McGovern, Vice Chairman of the House Rules Committee,
U.S. House of Representatives, Chair of the House Hunger Caucus

Ms. Deborah Saidy, Director of the UN World Food Programme (WFP)
Liaison Office in New York

Q & A

LUNCH BREAK
1:00 - 2:45 PM

Panelists are invited to lunch offered by the PGA with selected Member States.

PANEL II: ANSWERING TO THE POOR: RIGHT TO FOOD AND SUSTAINABLE MODELS OF AGRICULTURE
3:00 - 4:30 PM

Moderator: **Ms. Barbara Ekwall**, Senior Officer of Agricultural Development Economic Division, FAO Headquarters - Rome

Mr. Henri Saragih, Peasant's Union of Indonesia, member of the International Board of *Via Campesina*

Ms. Molly Anderson, Senior Wallace Fellow at the Wallace Center at Winrock International; and coordinating lead author for the International Assessment of Agricultural Knowledge, Science and Technology for Development (IAASTD)

Dr. Judi Wakhungu, Executive Director of the African Centre for Technology Studies (ACTS) in Nairobi, International Assessment of Agricultural Science and Technology for Development (IAASTD)

Mr. Miguel Altieri, Professor of AgroEcology at UC Berkley, Advisor to the FAO - Globally Indigenous Agricultural Heritage Systems

Q & A

CLOSING SESSION

5.45 – 6.00pm:

Closing remarks by **H.E. Mr. Miguel d'Escoto Brockmann**, President of the United Nations General Assembly

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